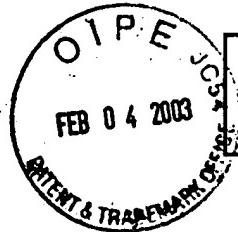


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FOR: USE OF CD25 BINDING MOLECULES IN THE TREATMENT OF
RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS OR SKIN DISEASES

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2002 having a shortened three (3) month period for response which expired on December 5, 2002. Applicants enclose herewith a petition for a two (2) month extension of time together with authorization to deduct the appropriate fee. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-3, 6 and 9-11 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 4 and 5 as follows:

4. (amended) A method for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis in a patient in need of such treatment comprising administering to the patient an effective amount of a CD25 binding molecule; wherein the CD25 binding molecule comprises at least one antigen binding site comprising at least one domain which comprises in sequence, the hypervariable regions CDR1, CDR2 and CDR3; the CDR1 having the amino acid sequence Arg-Tyr-Trp-Met-His (SEQ ID NO: 1), the CDR2 having the amino acid sequence Ala-Ile-Tyr-Pro-Gly-Asn-Ser-Asp-Thr-Ser-Tyr-Asn-Gln-Lys-Phe-Glu-Gly (SEQ ID NO: 2), and the CDR3 having the amino acid sequence Asp-Tyr-Gly-Tyr-Tyr-Phe-Asp-Phe (SEQ ID NO: 3).